

2008 Island Fellows Program Participants

David Fedlam, an MBA candidate at the Robert Emmett McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University, served as the School Director of the Renaissance School in Shelburne, VT for three years where he conducted many in-service training programs for teachers. He also worked as a certified ski instructor of children at a major ski resort in VT. In addition, he coached lacrosse for boys and was the captain of the Amherst College Rugby Football Team 1999-2000. He holds a BA from Amherst and has completed course work leading to an MA from Dartmouth College. David is assigned to American Samoa.

Matthew Garcia, an MBA candidate at the Harvard Business School, worked as an analyst for Goldman Sachs' Litigation and Regulatory Proceedings Group for three years in New York City. In addition, he has researched environmental and economic development issues to help winery owners in upstate New York grow their businesses as part of his duties interning in a well-known U.S. Senator's office. He was graduated from Cornell University, with a BA in Government. Matthew is assigned to Guam.

Katherine MacDougall, an MBA candidate from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, spent two years as a Peace Corps volunteer in Romania and returned to serve as an AmeriCorps Promise Fellow and later as program coordinator of Volunteer San Diego, a non-profit organization that connects groups and individuals with local community service opportunities. She also holds an MA in Gender, Anthropology, and Development from the University of London, and a BA from the University of British Columbia. Katherine is assigned to the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Zubin Menon, an MBA candidate from the Shidler College of Business at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, works part-time as a copywriter for Loomis-ISC, a 30-year old integrated communications firm in Honolulu, where he contributes to the development of marketing plans and materials for many types of businesses and non-profits. He has also served as a teacher of Asian Studies, Economics, Global Politics, Computer Science, Drama and Mathematics at Sacred Hearts Academy, a K-12 college preparatory school for girls in Honolulu. He was educated in Hong Kong, Malaysia and Singapore prior to earning his BA in Asian History from the University of British Columbia. He is a Malaysian citizen and loves cars, cricket, and cooking. Zubin is assigned to the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Kelly Miksa, an MBA candidate at Columbia Business School, served as Assistant Director of Admission at Pepperdine University where she founded and directed the office's Multicultural Recruitment & Outreach Division. She has consulted for social ventures in both Kenya and rural Cambodia, working with an NGO start-up to refine their business model and leading a team of consultants to develop a positioning and international marketing strategy for a Nairobi based retailer. She holds a BA *cum laude* from the University of Southern California and was captain of the university's

competitive Ballroom and Latin Dance Team. Kelly Miksa is assigned to Pohnpei and Kosrae in the Federated States of Micronesia.

Zach Morello, an MBA candidate at the Harvard Business School, has worked as a business technology consultant for Deloitte Consulting in Boston, MA and New York City, working in the Technology Integration Practice, optimizing business processes for Fortune 500 companies and state governments. He holds an EdM in Technology in Education from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and was graduated from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst with a BS in computer systems engineering. Zach is assigned to Chuuk and Yap in the Federated States of Micronesia.

Danielle Noto, an MBA candidate at the Columbia Business School, spent five years in the retail investment industry, rising to Vice President of Potomac Funds in White Plains, NY before moving to the healthcare sector. She holds an MSW in Clinical Social Work from New York University, and served as a social worker, crisis intervention counselor, and later as a care manager for MHN Insurance in New York. She also has BA in International Studies from Manhattan College. She is an avid distance runner, scuba diver and soccer player. Danielle is assigned to Palau.

Debbie Wissel, an MBA candidate from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, worked as a manager of business development for an investment research and advisory firm in New York where she implemented enhanced global marketing strategies. In addition she developed a long-term marketing campaign for a microfinance organization that provides small business support services. She also led volunteer groups to Nicaragua to engage in community development for a large non-profit organization that helps economically depressed countries. She has also worked on large international conferences with the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in Geneva. She holds a BA in government from Bowdoin College. She played serum-half for Bowdoin Women's Rugby Football club. Debbie is assigned to the Northern Mariana Islands.